

## About Plays and Players

By BIDE DUDLEY

**C**HORUS GIRLS are in such demand that managers lately have been known to traffic in them. The other day a blonde of the variety commonly called "peach"—entered the hall where the Western City "Little Whopper" company was rehearsing, and asked for a chorus position. Thad Grey, director, snapped her up and put her to work. An hour later a burlesque manager rushed in.

"That girl started rehearsing in my company," he said, indicating the blonde. "I advanced her \$17 on her salary. Under the rules of the Equity she belongs to my force." Grey called him and succeeded in inducing him to give up his claim to the girl for the return of the \$17. Soon after Abraham Levy, producer, appeared on the scene. He noticed the new blonde at once.

"Eastern company for that girl," he announced. "You've got enough beauties in the Western troupe." An argument followed and Mr. Levy won, but he had to pay the \$17 back to the Western company management. This he readily did, and the girl was transferred to the Eastern company. The next day she was missing, and the laugh was on Mr. Levy.

Not to be liked, Mr. Levy started his scouts out looking for the girl and they found her back in the burlesque troupe. "I'm going to stay here," she said. "That's what you are," replied Mr. Levy, "but your manager's going to pay me \$17." And it came to pass.

**WITHERS WITH 'EM.** Raymond Hitchcock has arranged with C. B. Maddock to present Charles Withers in "For Pity's Sake" as a feature of the all-star review in which Mr. Hitchcock, Julia Sanderson and G. F. Hastings will appear in New York soon. Mr. Withers and his playlet have been very successful in England.

**FOR DOUG AND MARY.** Mr. and Mrs. Winchell Smith entertained Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fairbanks (the lady is quite well known in films) at a reception and dance at the Smith home in Farmington, Conn., recently. Among the guests were U. S. N.; Mrs. Richard Blaine and John Golden were present.

**FULTON "DRESSED UP."** Oliver D. Bailey, since June, has improved the interior of the Fulton Theatre greatly. Curtains now shut off the body of the house from the back end and there are new lounges, fresh paint and everything. The Fulton is now one of the prettiest houses in the Broadway district.

**WHO'S LOONEY NOW?** It's about the place in the column now for a piece of real poetry. Robert R. Speer has sent us such a gem. Drop everything and have a look:

I stood on the bridge at midnight,  
The wind was full of air.  
Some one took the bridge away  
And left me standing there.

**LIKE THIS ONE?** Frank Moulton, rehearsing in "Little Miss Charity," which is soon to be seen at the Belmont Theatre, claims to be a poet also. Here's a sample of his work. What do you think, gang?

The ant delights in naught but toil,  
He'll pull and wrench and tug,

### What Don't You Know?

Who first played the role of Hamlet in "The Tea Merchant of London?" Why was the game of whist named after Whistler, the famous artist, and why not? What sort of an automobile would Mary Pickford pick? (Note the family name closely.) What relation was John Bunyan to William Brooks Foote, and isn't this a fool sort of a question? If it takes two horses to draw a street car, how many cartoonists does it take, if sober?

And dig deep holes in any soil,  
But then—the ant's a bug.

**"GOOD LUCK," SAYS EARL.** A dress rehearsal of "The Lady of the Lamp" was held at the Republic Theatre Thursday night. After it was over the lady lamped Nigger, the theatre's cat, and discovered her nursing five new black kittens. Earl Carroll, author of the play, says the kittens mean success for his show. Maybe, but the night before "Oh, Henry" opened a cat appeared in the theatre and—well, how are you feeling these August days, anyway?

**GOSSIP.** "Florodora" will leave the Century to-night and go on tour. Two concerts will be given at the Century Promenade to-morrow night. Marjorie Hunt, daughter of Walter Hunt, has returned from a film trip to California. Henry McGhie is now musical director of "Irene" at the Vanderbilt Theatre.

Hap Hadley, cartoonist, is to act out with "The Greenwich Village Follies." Those who dance the round waltz will be given a chance to win a silver cup at the Terrace Garden Dance Palace Tuesday night. The Fender Troupe of Pantomimists arrived from Europe yesterday and will be seen in "Good Times" at the Hippodrome Monday night. Irving Fisher has been engaged by Gus Edwards for a singing role in the new Edwards revue.

Savoy and Brunan will present a vaudeville number in the forthcoming "Greenwich Village Follies." Albert Von Tilzer and Neville Flessner, who wrote the songs for "Honey Girl," will furnish musical numbers for a new show for Adele Rowland.

**A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.** Pretty babies invariably look like their mothers and homely ones like their fathers.

**FOOLISHMENT.** Said he, in the hammock: "Miss Vance, I've lost my poor heart, by some chance."

Then came the girl's bound,  
And soon the youth found  
He'd lost, too, a part of his composure.

**FROM THE CHESTNUT TREE.** "I've written a song called 'In a Perfume Store.'"  
"Why that title?"  
"So everybody will like the air."

### KATINKA



### JOE'S CAR



### LITTLE MARY MIXUP



### THE BIG LITTLE FAMILY



### LEAVE IT TO LOU



### RUSTY AND BUB



## The Evening World Quiz Editor Asks

Copyright, 1920, by The Evening World. AND here comes pay day and the end of the mustache question. The gang sure did have it in for the boys with the misplaced eyebrows. Some liked 'em, but most of you didn't—except on father. However, it seemed as if everybody sent in an answer. That's the way we like to see them come in. The only trouble is that too many wait till the end of the week, when there isn't room for one in a hundred.

Now here's a new one for the Quiz fans to decide. You all know some blonds. Have you a blond sweetheart, husband, wife or mother-in-law? What do you think of him or her. Here's the dope:

**ARE BLONDS DECEITFUL?** Go to it. And mail, telegraph or wireless the answer the minute you see this. If a blond ever spilled the beans, say so. If a blond didn't, say so.

Here are the final reports on the whiskers. Also, the biggest surprise of the year.

**Veteran Rutherford**—I want to say that I've reformed; want to apologize to all the American girls. I didn't mean it anyway. I was just kidding them to see if they could be kidded, and—I'll say they could. Why, ladies of New York Town, I think you're the most entirely charming and delightful persons in the world. I'm going back to France now, so good-bye—and a blintz.

**Tango Ray of Bay Ridge**—It tickles. Am I right, girls?

**A Hudson Duster**—I'd like to see one dare to walk on Tenth Avenue, New York City.

**Lilypop**—If they wear MUSTACHES, yes; but misplaced hairs, decidedly no.

**Square Deal**—Ought to be a Nineteenth Amendment prohibiting a person from making a fool of himself.

**Juanita**—I like 'em on dark men; they look aristocratic. Few blonds can raise one.

**Daisy, N. Y. C.**—Mudgutter Blondes, you're all wrong. It doesn't tickle, and I know too. Experience.

**Joe Beaux**—Why not, if she likes it.

**Men With Sense**—Takes one to a cabaret and she'll kiss you with or without a mustache.

**Nan of Paterson**—How I hate to be kissed by a man with a mustache.

**A. J. C.**—Yorkville—Most fellows who wear 'em are too lazy to shave. They look good—good to laugh at.

**Chicken Chaser**—Honey Girl, I'm the man you're looking for. No money—dead broke—but I have a handsome mustache.

**Happyland, N. Y. C.**—I bet if the girls had the same trouble in getting husbands as European girls they'd be glad to get whiskers.

**Hen Fink**—I've just succeeded in

### What Do You Know?

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1. What is the department of biology called which treats of animals?
2. Who was called the "Great Pachyderm?"
3. Of what is the mixture composed in which iron is dipped to galvanize it?
4. What fishes kill their prey by electricity?
5. What bay has the record for the highest tide?
6. What is the largest carnivorous animal on the American continent?
7. At what temperature are most birds' eggs incubated?
8. What famous Roman was called the "Father of his Country?"
9. In what city was Sir Thomas Lipton born?
10. In what country are contrivances resembling the screw of Archimedes extensively used?
11. What is the largest glacier on the American continent?
12. For how many years can a trade-mark be registered in the United States?

### ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

1. zoology; 2. Henry Clay; 3. melted zinc and mol ammoniac; 4. torpedo fish; 5. Bay of Fundy; 6. jaguar; 7. 104 degrees F.; 8. Cicero; 9. Glasgow; 10. Holland; 11. Muir Glacier, Alaska; 12. 20.